

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of the claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A method of generating a first report by filtering out item data in a second report in a network-based auction facility, the method including comprising:

receiving item data from the second report concerning corresponding to multiple items, the data including having a price-based value for each of the multiple items associated with at least one item; and

automatically identifying at least one of the multiple items as being an irregular item based on the price-based value for the irregular item being greater than a predetermined price-based value; and

automatically removing irregular item data concerning corresponding to the irregular item having a price-based value greater than a predetermined price- based value from a representation of the received item data to thereby generate the first report including filtered data.

2. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, including wherein removing the irregular item data concerning the irregular item having a price-based value greater than the predetermined price-based value comprises by setting an irregular item flag for the irregular item having a price-based value greater than the predetermined price-based value; and

using including only item data for items not having the irregular item flag that is not set in the filtered data. for data computations and reports.

3. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 2, including wherein unsetting the irregular item flag of each item having an irregular item flag set ~~may be unset~~ if the item is found to be legitimate.

4. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the removing of the irregular item data concerning the irregular item having a price-based value greater than the predetermined price-based value comprises includes deleting the irregular item data from the filtered data. ~~data computations and reports.~~

5. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the irregular item includes a disingenuous bid. ~~has a bid that is later found to be not genuine.~~

6. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the irregular item does not physically exist. ~~is later found to be not in existence.~~

7. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, including generating the filtered data at ~~wherein the data is generated after predetermined time intervals and includes information from auctions ending during the predetermined time intervals.~~

8. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein further comprising generating the first report is a finance report based on the representation of the data.

9. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein further comprising generating the first report is [a] an item category summary report based the representation of the data.

10. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein ~~further comprising generating the first report is a daily statistics report based on the representation of the data.~~

11. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, including ~~further comprising automatically~~ converting the price-based values of the multiple items from a first currency to a second currency and choosing the predetermined price-based value from a plurality of predetermined price-based values based on the first currency.

12. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 11, wherein the choosing of the plurality of predetermined price-based values includes selecting the value from a table. ~~are in a table format.~~

13. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, including ~~further comprising automatically~~ choosing the predetermined price-based value from a plurality of predetermined price-based ~~value~~ values based on a category in which the irregular item was auctioned within the network-based auction facility.

14. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 13, wherein the choosing of the plurality of predetermined price-based value includes selecting the value from a table of predetermined price-based values. ~~are in a table format.~~

15. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the price-based value includes ~~comprises~~ a selling price of the irregular item.

16. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the price-based value ~~comprises~~ includes a fee set by a the network-based auction facility based on the selling price of the irregular item.

17. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, including further comprising choosing the predetermined price based on an auction type.

18. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, further including: comprising storing a bidder identification associated with the irregular item in an irregular user database; and

restricting the user associated with the bidder identification from using the network-based auction facility.

disabling use of the network-based auction facility by a user associated with the bidder identification in the irregular user database.

19. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 18, including further comprising ~~investigating the bidder identification in the irregular user database and~~ removing the bidder identification from the irregular user database if the price-based value associated with the bidder identification is legitimate.

20. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, further including: comprising storing a seller identification associated with the irregular item in an irregular user database; and

restricting the user associated with the seller identification from using the network-based auction facility.

disabling use of the network-based auction facility by a user associated with the seller identification in the irregular user database.

21. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 20, ~~including further comprising investigating the seller identification in the irregular user database and removing the seller identifications~~ identification from the irregular user database if the price-based value associated with the seller identification is legitimate.

22. (Currently Amended) A ~~computer~~ machine readable storage medium containing executable ~~computer program~~ instructions which, when executed by a machine, cause the machine to perform the method of a digital processing system to perform a method for generating a first report by filtering out item data in a second report in network-based auction facilities, the method including: ~~said method comprising:~~

receiving item data from the second report corresponding to multiple items, the data including a price-based value for each of the multiple items;

automatically identifying at least one of the multiple items as being an irregular item based on the price-based value for the irregular item being greater than a predetermined price-based value; and

automatically removing the irregular item data corresponding to the irregular item from the received item data to thereby generate the first report including filtered data.

~~receiving data concerning multiple items having a price based value associated with at least one item; and~~

~~removing suspect data concerning a suspect item having a price based value greater than a predetermined price based value from a representation of the data.~~

23. (Currently Amended) A system for generating a first report by filtering out item data in a second report in network-based auction facilities, the system including; comprising:

~~means for receiving item data from the report corresponding to multiple items, the data including a price-based value for each of the multiple items;~~

~~means for automatically identifying at least one of the multiple items as being an irregular item based on the price-based value for the irregular item being greater than a predetermined price-based value; and~~

~~means for automatically removing the irregular item data corresponding to the irregular item from the received item data to thereby generate a first report including filtered data.~~

~~means for receiving data concerning multiple items having a price-based value associated with at least one item; and~~

~~means for removing suspect data concerning a suspect item having a price-based value greater than a predetermined price-based value from a representation of the data.~~

24. (Currently Amended) A system for generating a first report by filtering out item data in a second report in network-based auction facilities, the system including; comprising:

a database storing data concerning multiple items having a price-based value for each of the multiple items; associated with at least one item;

a database engine server including comprising an irregular activity monitoring system, wherein the irregular activity monitoring system automatically identifies at least one of the multiple items as being an irregular item based on the price-based value for the irregular item being greater than a predetermined price-based value and automatically removes the irregular item

data ~~concerning~~ corresponding to an irregular item having a price-based value greater than a predetermined price-based value from a representation of the received item data to thereby generate the first report including filtered data.

25. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 24, wherein the irregular activity monitoring system sets an irregular flag for the irregular item ~~having a price-based value greater than a predetermined price-based value and includes only item data for items not having an irregular item flag set in the filtered data. that is not set are used for data computations and reports.~~

26. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 25, wherein the irregular item flag can ~~may~~ be unset.

27. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 24, wherein the database stores a look-up table storing currency conversion rates and a look-up table storing predetermined price-based values based on auction categories.

Claims 28 -54 (Cancelled)